Brought from the House of Burgesses by Major Hammond U. H. J. Major Dorsey Mr Pollard and Mr Jenkins the following Message and Report in relation to the State House viz^t

Maryland ss:

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At a Special Committee Appointed by the General Assembly of this Province for inspecting into the further addition to the State House Met at the House of M^r Thomas Blackwells this first day of May 1695

Present

Major John Hamond Chairman Major Edward Dorsey M^r Francis Jenkins M^r John Pollard

Samuel Watkins Appointed by said Com Clk
The said Committee adjourned to treat with his Excellency
Adjourned for an Hour

Mett Again Present as before

I It is Reported by this Committee to the said House of Assembly that a method be taken for the Clerks to go up to their Offices without going through the House of Assembly.

- 2 That a Law Pass or an Ordinance of Assembly be made for seperate Rooms to be built in the State House for the several Officers vizt for the Provincial Office Land Office Commissarys Office County Court Office and Clerk of the Councils Office and a Bar be placed at the Door of each Office within which no Person whatsoever shall come save the Clerk and that no Clerk presume under a Certain Penalty to Carry any Record Book or Publick Papers out of their respective Offices without commanded by his Excellency the Governor or Assembly.
- 3 That two Jury Rooms be made and a Passage through the middle of the House that the Offices be on one side and the Jury Rooms on the other side

4 That at the end of the Passage be the Entrance into the Porch Chamber

- 5 That a Bar be made for the Grand Jury to be kept together
- 6 A Seat for the Cryer be made in some Convenient Place in the State House
- 7. An Outward Bar for the Prisoners and a Step or two for the Witnesses to be made
- 8. That a Chimney be Carried up at the other end of the State House from the first Storey &c.